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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Ken IOKA et al
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For : IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS
Art Unit : 2853
Examiner : Laura E. Martin

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S I R :

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed
August 2, 2006, the term for response to which expires on
November 2, 2006.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of
claims which begins on page 3 of this paper. Claims 1 and 3 are
amended; claims 2, 5, 8, 10, 11 and 13 are canceled; and
claims 4, 6, 7, 9, 12 and 14 are maintained.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.